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Business-to-day is always as prosaic as it would appear, and there's plenty of room for imagination if your heart is in your work. What forest did your bookcase come from? Mayhap a deer rubbed off his old antlers on the very tree of which it is a piece, or when it fell to the ringing of the woodman's axe the crash startled a hundred denizens of the woodland.

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A warm welcome awaits you.

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### WISHING RING TO BE ELABORATELY COSTUMED

The Woman's Club Expects to Pack the Opera House Both Nights, Feb. 8 and 9.

Daily rehearsals are being held by the cast of characters, numbering about 300 people of Barre, who will make their appearance in "The Wishing Ring" at the opera house on Thursday and Friday evenings, Feb. 8 and 9.

An admission of 35c and 50c and all seats reserved at these prices. Reserved seat sale opens at Drown's Drug Store Tuesday morning, Feb. 6. The advance sale is going rapidly and is being pushed to the utmost. Three thousand people are expected to witness this wonderful play. And why not? It has been acclaimed all over the country as the best play for local amateurs ever presented. The costumes, which are furnished by the J. B. Rogers Producing company, are very elaborate and this promises to be

the most spectacular ever staged in Barre. Do not make any other plans for one of these evenings next week. We are expecting you, and you will enjoy it when you get there.—adv.

### GRANITEVILLE.

There will be a concert in the Presbyterian church hall on Thursday evening, Feb. 1, at 7:30 o'clock. A lengthy program has been arranged, readings, solos, quartets and choruses, for the rendering of which some of the best talent on the hill has been secured. Refreshments will be served and the price for admission is 25c. Don't fail to come and spend a pleasant evening. The ladies will please bring cake or doughnuts.

### Notice.

Members of cribbage team, Iroquois tribe, I. O. R. M., going to Montpelier on Tuesday evening, please take the 6:45 electric car.

Spring 1917 wash goods at Abbott's.

### TALK OF THE TOWN

Save money and buy your shoes at Shea's Shoe Store this week.

Beattie Sawyer left yesterday for Amboy, N. J., where he has secured work.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Clouston of Williams-town were among the business visitors in the city yesterday.

Miss Hortense Flint and Mrs. A. Rumlill of Randolph were among the business visitors in the city yesterday.

Thomas Burke left yesterday afternoon for Winoski Park, where Mrs. Burke is a patient in the Fanny Allen hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Wilder of Burlington, who are to give a concert for the Barre Woman's club in the Pythian hall this evening, are in the city for a few days.

The S. of V. auxiliary will hold a public whist party in Foresters' hall, Worthen block, Wednesday evening, Jan. 31, at 8 o'clock. Everyone invited; 10c. Refreshments.

Murdo Campbell, who has been employed in Hartford, Conn., for the past month, arrived in the city this morning and returned in the forenoon to his home in Graniteville.

Rev. J. W. Barnett of the Barre Congregational church will be the speaker at the first of a series of special meetings in the Congregational church at Williams-town this evening.

Francis Goldsberry, who has been transferred from Montpelier to the Barre yards in breaking on the Montpelier & Wells River railroad, moved his household goods from Montpelier to a Brook street tenement to-day.

Earl Cummings of Hill street is confined to his home on account of an attack of the grip. Alexander Park of Elm street is detained from his duties as clerk at the Smith & Cummings market on account of an attack of the grip.

An interesting commentary on the condition of the labor market is noted in the window of a local tobacco dealer where employers in urgent need of help are wont to hang out their "Help Wanted" notices. To-day there were no fewer than 13 openings, all of them in Barre or its environs.

Dr. and Mrs. Horace K. Sowles, who had been visiting at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Sowles of Beckley hill, returned to-day to Boston, where Dr. Sowles is on the staff of the Massachusetts General hospital. Dr. Kenneth Dole, also connected with the Massachusetts General and a visitor at the Sowles home in this city, returned with Dr. and Mrs. Sowles.

Post-tournament matches in cribbage and pool to decide a question of supremacy that a series of eight tournaments completed last week failed to determine will be played between Barre and Montpelier Knights of Columbus in the Seapine building this evening at 7:30 o'clock. From the nature of the schedule arranged, the outcome to-night cannot be an even break and when the games are over either the Barre or the Montpelier knights will have to forfeit a dinner to be served within a short time.

Taken unawares by the sudden advance of a dozen or more of his friends, Manager C. F. Miller of the Montpelier & Barre Light & Power Co. was made to realize in a very striking way his birthday anniversary Saturday. Friendly conspirators plotted successfully with Mrs. Miller and soon after midnight the superintendent was surrounded at his home on Cliff street. A 10 o'clock dinner was one of the enjoyable features of the get-together and an informal program of after-dinner toasts added to the gaiety of the occasion.

Bowling fans who have watched with interest this winter the reports of matches between Harold Nute, a former Barre boy, and Paul Poehler, who have been contending for the candle-pin championship of New England will have one of their wishes gratified sometime in February when the two premier pinmen will appear in an exhibition match on the lanes at Merlo's academy. The management of the academy is anxious to arrange a two-men match with a local representation in the team that will compete with the Nute-Poehler combination. Montpelier bowlers are interested in the visit of the pair to Vermont and if they appear on the local alleys in the afternoon Montpelier fans will see them at the Imperial in the evening. It is expected that Nute and Poehler will come to Barre around Feb. 15.

Townpeople of Miss Grace Bixby of East Barre, a member of the senior class at Spaulding high school, honored her with a surprise party in the East Barre opera house last evening, when more than 100 people came together, the occasion being Miss Bixby's 18th birthday. Although friends of hers by the score joined in acting the part of hosts and hostesses at the affair, not an inkling of what was to take place was conveyed to the guest of honor until she was escorted into the hall. An impromptu musical program with solo and orchestral numbers was carried out in the early part of the evening and later there was dancing with music by Carroll's orchestra. Through the medium of a speech by Wallace Jones, Miss Bixby was made to feel the esteem in which she is held in East Barre and in closing the speaker presented her a purse of gold.

Robin rebreast, unerring harbinger of mayflowers and housewifery, has made his 1917 debut in Barre. From now on the rebreast will live up to his reputation as a space grafter in the newspaper, but the present story of his early arrival is authenticated by The Times' Signs-of-Spring department, which has performed a conspicuous service since 1912 by investigating all yarns that portended an early spring, rejecting those which proceeded from questionable sources and printing all others that have had the hallmark of veracity. To-day's robin story, corroborated in every detail by several witnesses, concerns a January concert given by a coloratura soprano of the rebreast species on upper Elm street yesterday. School children returning home at noon noticed the robin singing blithely in a treetop and their classification of the bird was later verified by a woman who lives in the vicinity of the robin's perch. It was a rebreast, beyond a doubt, and with sunny weather obtaining to-day, its observers expected to glimpse the soloist again.

### An Expression of Thanks.

I wish to express my gratitude to those who rendered such kindly assistance to me and Mr. Campbell on Jan. 24, when we were so nearly asphyxiated by gas fumes. I extend my most heartfelt thanks to Mrs. McKenzie, especially, as it is to her efforts in my behalf that I owe my life.

E. M. Jury.

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## We've Just Opened These New Fashions and Here's Our Story

You cannot afford to overlook these new goods for spring, 1917.

You will find us this spring with an exceptional line of spring goods. A good assortment of these are now on our tables. Lots of early styles will be closed early in the season. Prices will have a tendency to go higher. Your early purchases this season will be your most satisfactory purchases.

### We Have Just Bought These New Goods

New Wool and Silk Dress Goods—

New Cloakings and Skirtings—

New Wash Goods; as follows:

One table of Striped Madras, yard wide, for gents' shirts and ladies' waists. These are 35c Madras, but our buying them in broken pieces we are selling them at 25c per yard.

One table of Endurance Cloths in all colors, all new patterns, at 17c per yard.

One table of Krinkle Cloth, all new goods, this lot at 17c per yard.

One table of 32-inch Ever-ready Cloth in assorted patterns at 25c per yard.

New Silk Crepe, very pretty, 39c per yard.

Silk Stripe Voile at 25c per yard.

New Paisley Silks at 75c per yard.

### Bargain Basement

Lots of money-savers here. All odd lots from our stock-taking, all of our Remnants, on one large table.

One table of Percalines, one lot Rosebud Organdie, one lot of Corded Stripe Muslins with rosebud patterns, one lot of very heavy Navy Blue Percal, your choice on this table at 15c per yard.

One lot of 20-inch Figured Dimities. These in a regular way are worth 18c. This lot in Basement at 12½c per yard.

A full assortment of Bargain Basement Muslin Underwear. This means a large saving on a medium grade of Muslin Underwear, such as:

Children's Muslin Drawers at..... 9c

Children's Night Robes at..... 29c

Ladies' Plain Muslin Drawers at..... 19c

Large assortment of Ivory and Pearl Buttons, per card..... 5c and 10c

### Exceptional Coat and Suit Values

After invoicing there comes our Winter Clean-Up Sale, which takes in everything that will be in the way of our spring business. We are putting prices on what we have in odd Coats and Suits to clean them up in the next few weeks.

We have about 25 Coats in all qualities from \$10.00 to \$20.00 each. These are on one rack to clean up at from \$2.98 to \$10.00 each. These are all extra good Coat values.

At \$3.98 are a few odd Coats that will clean up very quickly. These are Coats that have been among our best sellers at from \$10.00 to \$15.00.

At about one-half price is a lot of Coat values that will surely appeal to those who want a good Coat. Are our latest models that sold at from \$15.00 to \$30.00.

### Ladies' Tailored Suits

We have a few Suit values left from our inventory sale that we are putting on two racks to close at once.

At \$5.98 are two Mixture Suits in good quality and style that sold at \$22.50.

At \$6.98 are a few odd Suits that were among our season's best sellers. To close at \$6.98.

At \$9.98 are a number of the season's best Suit values that were among our best selling values at from \$18.00 to \$27.50.

### Ladies' Separate Skirts

In this sale is a lot of the season's best Separate Skirt values. Are Skirts where we only have one or two left. Are made from the season's best materials.

At \$3.98 is a lot of odd Skirts that sold at \$5.50 and \$5.75. Now to close at \$3.98.

At \$5.00 are a few odd Skirts that sold at \$7.50 and \$7.75. Now to close at \$5.00. See these extra values.

## The Daylight Store

### TALK OF THE TOWN

Miss Bella Daniels is very ill at her home on North Main street.

George Wells of Winoski was among the visitors in the city yesterday.

Constable George L. Morris was a business visitor in South Ryegate to-day.

Mr. Fitts' large summer stock of low shoes on sale this week at Shea's Shoe Store.

Reduce the high cost of living. Buy your beef by the quarter or half quarter. C. R. Wood. Tel. 682-W.—adv.

Perfection oil heaters and stoves. All kinds of wicks. Wash boilers and wringers. Special sale on Andes heaters. E. A. Prindle, Depot square.

Miss Thelma E. Perry of 108 Washington street is recovering from an attack of scarlet fever. W. A. Perry has also been confined to the house with an attack of the grip.

If your glasses bother you by steaming or frosting over, get a 25c box of No-Steam. It will stop it. Manufactured by Dr. C. H. Magoon, optometrist and optician, 72 North Main street, Barre.

Marrion's dinner service is unexcelled in the city, and if you are a transient looking for wholesome food, our 25-cent dinners will appeal to you. We specialize in preparing business men's lunches. Remember to dine at Marrion's, at 120 North Main street. A few more regular borders can be accommodated.—adv.

### TALK OF THE TOWN

Dr. H. Nelson Jackson of the E. L. Smith Co. is passing a few days in New York on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Wishart of Chelsea have been passing a few days with the former's mother, Mrs. Barbara Wishart of Camp street.

William Weiss, who has been spending several days in the Barre granite business, returned yesterday by way of New York to his home in Allentown, Pa.

Miss Ella Hoyt, formerly of this place and now of Springfield, arrived in the city last evening and will spend several days as the guest of friends in the city.

The members of the Cecilia club hope for your attendance at their fair to be held in Howland hall Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Feb. 1, 2 and 3. Concert from 8 to 9. Dancing 9 to 12 every night. Carroll's orchestra. Admission, 10 cents. Season tickets, 25 cents.—adv.

Musicians who are to make up the first regiment band in the state National Guard gathered in Worthen hall last evening for one of their regular rehearsals. Nearly every member who has volunteered for the service was present and of the 28 musicians necessary to complete the band 25 have been accepted. Bandmaster Dunham of Northfield was present and sheets of new music were distributed for the first time. People who are interested in band music in Barre have called in at some of the practice meetings and only commendatory remarks have been heard from them.

### TALK OF THE TOWN

J. L. McLam of Albany, N. Y., returned to his home last evening after a day's visit in the Barre granite belt.

Gerald Bixby, a student in Norwich university, is visiting at the home of Nell Hooker of Park street for a few days.

George Phalen, who has been visiting at the home of W. H. Nugent of North Main street and other friends in the city during the past few days, returned to his home in Rutland yesterday.

I. Zecchinelli, who has been employed in the Barre granite belt during the past few years, left yesterday for Hardwick, where he has secured work.

Perley Preston of Murray street returned to the city yesterday, after spending several days visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Rogers of Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. Rogers formerly resided in this city.

### WILLIAMSTOWN

F. B. Jones of the William B. Jones Granite company, was in Syracuse, N. Y., last week, where he attended the annual meeting of the New York State Monumental Dealers' association on Tuesday and Wednesday. Later in the week he took a business trip through southern Pennsylvania, visiting Scranton, Wilkes-Barre and other cities. While in New York he visited at New York Mills, a suburb of Utica.

George T. Colby returned from northern New York and Canada last Saturday, where he had been to buy horses and stock. They are to be shipped sometime this week. Heavy snows and severe cold weather is reported from that locality.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Robinson are now living at the house in "The Hollow" that he lately bought of Harry Daniels.

Mrs. Clinton D. Dunham, who has been staying with her father for a few days since the funeral of her mother, Mrs. C. J. Cram, returned yesterday to her home in New Haven Mills.

Word is received here of the marriage of Perley Hall of Northfield and Miss Edna L. Seaver of this town in New Britain, Conn., on Wednesday, Jan. 24. The bride is a graduate of Goddard and has since been engaged in teaching. The groom formerly lived in town, but has

been for some time past employed in New Britain.

Nelson M. Carlton and Oliver M. Martin have been appointed commissioners of the estate of Orville J. Gale.

Measles have appeared in the families of Mr. and Mrs. Belle Corvill and Henry B. Waldo and there are several cases that are under suspicion.

A letter was lately received from a genealogist of Salem, Mass., asking for information concerning Perley Howe, father of the late Enoch Howe, and the first settler in this village. As is well known, the hills were first cleared and settled, first in the western part of the town in the Clogston neighborhood and later on south hill on the farm now owned by J. Howard Winchester. Perley Howe and Edmund Bacon came here from Williamstown, Mass., and Mr. Howe chose land near the present site of the village, building a log cabin on what later was known as the Uncle Jake Martin place, now owned by Mrs. Musette Seaver, while Mr. Bacon went farther to the east and settled on the Calvin farm, now owned by John Geake.

Mrs. Hattie Poor is again on the sick list and her daughter, Mrs. Anna B. Edson of Woodsville, N. H., came yesterday to assist in caring for her.

There will be an old-fashioned masquerade at granite hall on the evening of Friday, Feb. 2. Everybody is invited to come.

On account of so many new and expected cases of measles, the schools have been closed temporarily.

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank our neighbors and friends for all kindness shown us in our late sickness.

Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Poland.

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the neighbors and friends for their many acts of kindness in the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother, also the singers.

C. J. Cram,

F. E. Hopkins and family.

C. D. Dunham and family.

Rev. J. W. Barnett of Barre preaches to-night in the Congregational church. The Epworth League and Christian Endeavor meetings will be merged in this meeting. To-morrow evening the preacher will be Rev. G. W. Keeling of the Methodist church.

## Cummings & Lewis Wild Cherry Expectorant for



Many sick spells begin with coughs and colds.

—And they will end there if you take a bottle of our Wild Cherry Expectorant. It relieves hoarseness, sore throat and other troubles incidental to cold and damp weather.

NOTICE—Wild Cherry Expectorant contains no opium derivatives or chloroform. Therefore it is safe to give to children.

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Until you have used them, you cannot appreciate their true value as exquisite aids to perfect skin health.

## Our Rose Cream Lotion

Right now is a good time to test this fine preparation—to preserve the skin and keep it smooth and free from chaps. Used after the drive or walk, this Rose Cream Lotion will prevent all skin roughness. Get it to-day—NOW, while you think of it, and you'll always keep it on your dressing table.

PRICE, 25 CENTS

## Our Rose Cold Cream

A favorite with those who appreciate perfect skin and beauty. A veritable skin-food, because of the nourishing qualities it has for the skin follicles. Cleanses the skin pores, when used as a massage, as no other preparation does. Our Rose Cold Cream will appeal to you, once you have used it.

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It takes time to read the daily news, but it takes the wise woman who appreciates value just a second to read the economies in our ad. to-day.

**FANCY WHITE CHICKEN HALIBUT 18c**  
that weigh 5 to 12 lbs., whole fish, lb.

Plenty of Finnan Haddies, made fresh every day.  
Berwick Cakes, each, only ..... 10c  
Plenty of Silver Queen and Ward's 12c Cakes.  
Mother Hubbard Bread, per loaf ..... 10c  
Cottage Buns ..... 8 for 7c  
Fancy Maple Syrup in ½-gallon cans for ..... 7c  
New Buckwheat Flour in bulk and Aunt Jemima's Pancake Flour, per box ..... 10c

### Few Pails of Maple Syrup Left

Chickens, Fowls, Lamb, Veal, Beef and Native Pig Pork.  
Sausages of all kinds.  
Handy's German Frankforts cost more than others and are better. Try them.  
Hog's Head Cheese, per lb. .... 20c  
Another Five-Year-Old Cheese, per lb. .... 30c  
Plain Cream Cheese, per lb. .... 25c  
Kraft Cheese, per can ..... 15c and 25c  
Imported Swiss and Camembert in cans, just arrived.  
Forequarters of Lamb, boned, whole, per lb. .... 18c and 20c  
Tub Butter, per lb. .... 39c

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## Rice is Cheap

5 lbs. of Clean, Broken Rice for ..... 25c  
4 lbs. of Whole Rice for ..... 25c  
Matchless Uncoated Rice in packages ..... 10c  
Certified Oleomargarine, the best grade, per lb. .... 27c  
Coloring matter with every pound.  
Majestic Brand Oleomargarine, per lb. .... 27c  
Springdell Brand Oleomargarine, per lb. .... 25c  
Vermont Brand Oleomargarine, per lb. .... 20c  
Sifted Sweet Wrinkled Peas. .... 2 cans for 25c  
Angelus Red Kidney Beans. .... 2 cans for 25c  
Blue Label Cut Wax Beans. .... 2 cans for 25c  
Webster's Dandelion Greens, large can ..... 18c  
Beet Greens, No. 2 can ..... 10c

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